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BIO-NANO TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE SET FOR SEPT. 29-30 AT UM

MISSOULA –

Scientists from Montana and Japan will come together for a nano-technology symposium Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 29-30, at The University of Montana.

The UM-Toyo University Symposium on Bio-nano Technology and Sciences will feature a dozen talks and presentations by scientists from UM and Montana State and Toyo universities.

The conference will include a public keynote address by Toru Maekawa, director of the Bio-Nano Electronics Research Center at Toyo University. Maekawa's 8 p.m. talk in the University Theatre is being held in conjunction with the President's Lecture Series.

Talks and poster presentations will begin at 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, in the third-floor University Theatre and continue until 5 p.m.

The symposium is intended to bring together scientists from Montana and Japan working in various fields and introduce interested faculty to possibilities for joint research and collaboration on regional and international levels.

Attendees will discuss research in the rapidly growing field of nano-technology and its possible applications in biology, pharmaceutical sciences, chemical engineering and physics. For a complete symposium schedule, visit <http://www.umt.edu/oip/conferences/symposium.htm>.

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